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PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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OIL AND GAS DISCOVERIES BY ONGC
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether ONGC has recently found oil and gas reserves at various exploration blocks in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the exploration from the new sources is likely to commence?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas(Shri Santosh Kumar Gangwar)

(a) & (b) : Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Ltd. (ONGC) has recently found oil and gas leads at 4 new locations. The new oil and gas leads/areas are as follows :

1. Laiplingaon (Upper Assam Basin)

2. B-22-5 (Mumbai Offshore Basin)

3. Kavitam (Krishna Godavari Onland Basin)

4. GS-KW (Krishna Godavari Offshore Basin)

(c) : Exploration is a continuos process and the leads, thus obtained from the above wells, are to be pursued to consolidate the gain and produce hydrocarbons for which no time frame may be laid down.